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SUBJECT: CU/ARTS: CHARLIE BYRD TRIO

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1. REGRET ADVISE FEE QUOTED FOR BYRD CONCERTS MUST BE

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RAISED. FEE OF DOLS 1125 WAS BASED ON INCOMPLETE

KNOWLEDGE TOUR COSTS AND MINIMUM THIRTY CONCERTS (I.E. FIVE CONCERTS WEEKLY FOR SIX WEEKS). DEPT. NOW FINDS ONLY 26 CONCERTS PROBABLE AND HOPES POSTS CAN INCREASE FEE TO DOLS 1425 PER CONCERT, PLUS PAY DOLS 500 FOR WORKSHOPS OR COMMERCIAL TAPINGS OR RADIO BROADCASTS. BYRD'S AGENT ALSO BELIEVES HALF-HOUR TV SHOW SHOULD BE REIMBURSED ON SAME BASIS AS CONCERT. FIFTEEN MINUTE SHOW WOULD COST DOLS 750. FEES SOMEWHAT NEGOTIABLE BASED ON NUMBER OF CONCERTS PER COUNTRY AND TOTAL NUMBER OF PAID ACTIVITIES ARRANGED IN A GIVEN COUNTRY.

2. IF SIMULTANEOUS TAPES ARE MADE OF LIVE CONCERTS FOR NON-COMMERCIAL OR USIS USE THERE IS NO CHARGE.

3. NAMES OF GROUP MEMBERS ARE CHARLIE BYRD, GUITAR; JOE BYRD, BASS FIDDLE A WAYNE PHILLIPS, DRUMS. MARGUERITE

SMITH BYRD IS ROAD MANAGER. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT MANIFEST AND PROGRAMS WILL BE SENT ASAP.

4. FOR BOGOTA: BYRD'S LAST CONCERT DECEMBER 11 IN PARAMARIBO. COULD RETURN BOGOTA FOR ADDITIONAL CONCERTS. IF AIRFARE INCREASES CONSIDERABLY FEE WOULD HAVE TO BE NEGOTIATED BASED ON DIVERSIONARY FARE AND NUMBER OF CONCERTS REQUESTED. ROBINSON

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